

Minutes

Glendive Job Service Employers Committee November 13, 2006 DCHS Board Room

MEMBERS PRESENT Jim Germann Glendive Schools

Pat Cunningham

Sandi McGovern

Peg Iba

Cindy Berg

Tim Wall

Cunningham

Dawson Community College

Glendive Medical Center

Horizons/Iba Drilling

Eastern Montana Industries

Community First Bank

Lonnie Cross Job Service Steve Olson Job Service

NEW MEMBERS Valerie Limesand Boys and Girls Club

Lee Boyles Glendive Medical Center
Kim Trangmoe Chamber of Commerce & Ag

MEMBERS ABSENT Nick Haag MDU

Bill Wade Mid-Rivers

CALL TO ORDER 12:05 Pat Cunningham, Chair

MINUTES Were emailed to all members

TREASURER'S REPORT September and October financials were presented by Tim Wall:

Sept Expenses: Lunch at DCC \$52.00

DCC room expense (seminar) 236.00

Sept Income: Interest 1.98
BALANCE \$1922.97
Oct Expenses: Beck & Assoc 1700.00

Beck Lodging 112.35 Snack for Beck Seminar 61.55 Lunch with Steve Beck 76.90 Refunds 80.00

Oct Income: Interest 1.01
Beck Seminar 3440.00

BALANCE \$3322.18

In addition, Tim broke down the Beck Seminar profit/loss:

Income: \$3720.00 (some payments included, but not

yet received)

Expense: \$2186.80 Profit: \$1533.20

CORRESPONDENCE

Invitation to the JMG Istallation and Initiation Ceremony. Job Service and JSEC were represented at the ceremony by Dawn Guenzi and Darla Handran.

Thank you note from Mary Alice Barthel to the JSEC members who presented in her classroom last month.

OLD BUSINESS

BUSINESS ADVISORY Pat Cunningham handed Sandi McGovern student business plans for her review. Pat noted that MCC is beginning a number of certificate programs (1-year in length) in the business area. Does the Business Advisory group think DCC should pursue offering this kind of 1-year certificate—business related? Discussion:

- How does a 1-year certificate in something like accounting make a person more employable?
- Entrepreneurship would be a good 1-year course, especially if classes could be scheduled in the evenings, or if the class could be condensed into fewer weeks—like the workshops are
- If the student takes a 1-year course to assist him/her in passing an exam, e.g. pharmacy tech or medical lab tech, then it would be beneficial
- Heavy equipment operator would be another good area for a 1-year certificate program
- Mentioned a plumbing course is coming in from DSU over ITV

Pat said he would take this input back to the school for consideration.

NEWSLETTER Planning to plublish early in December. The raise in the state minimum wage is a topic of extreme interest, however there is not much info out yet.

STEVE BECK SEMINAR

Committee: Sandi McGovern, Cindy Berg, Bill Wade, Nick Haag

Consensus was that Steve Beck should come back to present Exceptional Customer Service Part II. Sidney is already working on bringing him back. Their tentative plan is to have the seminar week of March 19, 2007. They will have both Part I and Part II. We did learn that in order to fully benefit from Part II, people should attend Part I. Glendive probably needs to consider offering Part I as well as Part II. As far as time of day for sessions, Steve Beck is open to whatever would work the best for our community. He is able to do 2 sessions per day. Lonnie will begin conversation with Steve Beck including Vernette from Sidney.

EMPLOYERS IN SCHOOL Peg and Pat said their sessions went well. There were 8 students in the class. Mary Alice Barthel, their teacher, was very pleased with how it all went. Will we do this again?

BUSINESS AFTER HOURS We have "upgraded" from a mere Open House to a Business After Hours! We will be working with the Chamber of Commerce to accomplish this event. The Job Service staff was thinking in terms of a Christmas time event. After more thought, we concluded a January date might be a better bet. The Community Management Team of the Eastern Plains Workforce System will be meeting on January 25th at the Public Library. In order to include the people involved in this meeting, that afternoon has been chosen for the Business After Hours, planning for a slightly earlier start time than is usual for Business after Hours—possibly 3:00 or 3:30—and ending at 6:00. Planning continues!

MEMBERSHIP The Glendive JSEC has new members: Kim Trangmoe from the Chamber of Commerce, Lee Boyles from Glendive Medical Center, and Valerie Limesand from the Boys and Girls Club. Since each has received the "blue book," membership is official. Welcome to all these willing volunteers! The first order of business at the December meeting will be new member orientation.

GATEWAY TO OPPORTUNITY Peg Iba, Horizons Leadership and Dawson County Extension Office, requested assistance from the Glendive JSEC for this January event. The evening of Wednesday, January 3rd will be filled with an Energy-Related Career Fair. Gateway to Opportunity will occur all day on Thursday, January 4th. All the activities will take place at the Toepke Center at DCC. Pat Cunningham, Cindy Berg, Jim Germann, Sandi McGovern and Lonnie Cross volunteered to assist with the evening and/or next day. Peg will keep everyone posted on exactly what she needs done.

MINIMUM WAGE Job Service plans to keep the business community informed on the minimum wage issue.

ANNOUNCMENTS

Steve reported a meeting of the Job Service managers will take place last week in November. The discussion will involve which Workforce Services Division services are funded, required, offered.

Sandi asked if the dollars collected from employers for the Employment Security Account now go into the General Fund. Steve said he would look into that for her.

ADJOURN 1:00

NEXT MEETING December 5, 2006

Gabert Medical Services Conference Room

Need a head count for lunch. Lonnie will call to confirm attendance on Monday December 4th.

Cost will be \$6.